



St Michael's Parish, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

Website: nowraparish.org.au Incorporates the Church Communities of St Michael, Nowra; St Patrick, Berry
Sacred Heart, Bomaderry; Mary, Help of Christians, Culburra; St Joseph, Kangaroo Valley; Holy Spirit, Vincentia.

CHRIST THE KING - Year B
22nd November 2015

Sunday Masses:

Nowra: Vigil 6pm, 8.00am, 9.30am & 6.00pm
Berry: 8.00am
Bomaderry: 9.30am
Culburra: Vigil 6.00pm,
Vincentia: Vigil 6.00pm, & 9.30am
Kangaroo Valley: 11.00am

Masses during the week.

Nowra: Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am,
Fri 7.00am and 11.30am. Sat. Mass 9..am.
Berry: Tuesday 5.30p.m. Culburra: Thurs 5.30pm.
Vincentia: Mon/Thurs/Fri 8.00am; Tues/Wed 5.30pm
Kangaroo Valley: Mon/Tues/Thurs. 9.00am. Wed 7.00am
Shoalhaven Heads: Community Hall, Fri 3.30pm

Confession/Reconciliation

Nowra: Sat 9.30-10.30am & 5.00-5.30pm
Culburra Sat 5.30pm
Vincentia: Sat 5.00-5.30pm

We prayerfully remember, **Ann Lymbery**, (nee Ryder)
Max Hitchcock, Brian Hammerton (Brisbane), who
have died recently. Also, **Geoff Wilkins, Will and Lies**
Siero, Jane McBeath, Tim Wiley, Erna Silk
(Canberra), whose anniversaries occur at this
time. *May they rest in eternal peace.*



Feastday: Tues 24th Sts. Andrew Dung-Lac, and
companions (Vietnamese martyrs)



CWL Nowra Branch Christmas Raffle. Tickets available before and
after all Masses at Nowra and
Bomaderry this weekend (21st/22nd
Nov) & next weekend (28th/29th Nov),
and at Berry (21st/22nd Nov) only. Tickets are \$2.00
each or 3 for \$5.00. There are 9 prizes. 1st prize is a
hamper including a fresh ham. **Raffle will be drawn on**
Tuesday 8th December.

Taize: This Friday, 27 November starting at 7:30pm:
An evening of prayerful contemplation and chant at St.
Patrick's Church, Berry. All welcome to attend and
experience this special evening of prayerful reflection
leading into Advent.

Level 3 course for Catechists: Monday, 23 Nov,
9:30am - 2pm in the Parish Centre. This week we are
fortunate to have Fr Stephen Varney presenting the
topic of **Christology**. This being our last session
together, please bring a plate for a shared lunch.
Morning tea will be provided.

End of Year Mass for Catechists will be held
Monday, 30 November, St Michael's Church at
9:30am. **(No 7.00 a.m. Mass that morning)** Please join
us for this wonderful celebration of our year! Morning
tea provided in the Parish Centre after Mass. For more
information, please contact Frances 4423 1712.

Australia's Catholic Bishops last month launched
their 2015 Social Justice Statement, titled *For Those*
Who've Come Across The Seas on the matter of
asylum seekers and refugees. In light of the positive
response to our evening meeting several weeks ago,
another evening & a daytime session will be offered for
those parishioners who have not yet heard the Bishops'
call to awareness and action. Available on-line, we will
also show the document on screen, for those who have
not read it. **Tuesday evening 24 Nov, 7.30-9.00pm,**
Wednesday morning 25 Nov, 10.30-12.00
Enquiries Parish Office

POSITIONS VACANT Do you want to make a
difference in the lives of those less fortunate than
yourself? Perhaps you should consider becoming a **St**
Vincent de Paul Conference member or volunteer. The
rewards are many and the benefits are spiritually
uplifting. All enquiries welcome! Phone Wendy, 0405
095 455.

2016 Daily Mass Books, Cards and Gifts
Do you need a Daily Mass Book for 2016? (\$24).
Orders being taken now. Please see Suzie Alamango
after 9.30am Sunday Mass at the Sacred Heart Church
Piety Stall, Bomaderry or call 4448 6219 or 0419 249
008. Sacramental, Advent and Christmas items are also
available at the stall and by special order from the
catalogue (copy available at each Church).

"BELOVED" ADVENT PROGRAM: A 72 page pocket-
size book, BELOVED, is a series of *daily reflections*
produced by the Diocese for the Advent and Christmas
period (29 Nov to 10 Jan), now available at the Church
doors – cost \$2.00.)



HOLY SPIRIT VINCENTIA ~ Christmas
Community Morning Tea, Sunday 13
Dec, following 9.30am Mass.
Parishioners are asked to think of the
people they know who often do not get
to Mass or events due to difficulty with
transport/mobility etc. & invite & assist them to attend.
Contact: Judy 4441 7456 for details.

A cook required by the Jesuit Community holidaying
at Gerroa from Dec 28th – Jan 21. Hours 3.00.p.m. -
7.p.m. Contact Fr Ian 0431549554

The ordination to the Priesthood of Joseph McKay
OFM, (Franciscan Friar) will take place at St
Therese's Church, West Wollongong on Friday 11
Dec, at 7.00pm.

YEAR OF MERCY BEGINS ~ Pope Francis officially
opens the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in Rome
with the Opening of the Holy Door of St Peters Basilica
on the feast of the Immaculate Conception, Tues 8 Dec,
9:30am In the Diocese of Wollongong Bishop Peter
Ingham will open the **Holy Door of St Francis Xavier's**
Cathedral Wollongong on Sunday 13 Dec, 10:30am-
12:00noon. Ref..the Diocesan website at
<http://www.liturgydow.org.au/year-of-mercy.html>.

First Holy Communion this Sunday - November 22nd
Feast of Christ the King.
Eighty-seven children throughout the parish will be
receiving Holy Communion for the first time on this the
Feast of Christ the King. A special thank you to our
Teachers and Catechists who have prepared the
children with such diligence over recent weeks.

Funerals Wednesday Nov 25th.
Max Hitchcock - The Worrigege Chapel: 10am.;
Ann Lymbery ; St Patrick's Berry- 1.30pm.



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DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL LITURGY ~ Pastoral Associates - Liturgy Coordinators - Liturgy Committee Members - Music Coordinators - Choir Directors - RCIA Coordinators - Sacramental Coordinators....This course is for you!

2016 units include the Core Unit "Eucharist in the Liturgical Assembly" (March - June), the elective Unit "Initiation in the Liturgical Assembly" (July - September), and the alternate Elective Unit "Music in the Liturgical Assembly" (July - September). Those who commence in 2016 will complete the certificate course in 2017 with the remaining two units. Go to website for application, or Paul Mason 4222 2462, or liturgy@dow.org.au

YOUTH LEADERS' FORMATION COURSE 2015

From 23 Nov to 19 Dec 2015 the 9th *Youth Leaders' Formation Course* (YLFC) will take place at the Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Richmond. The YLFC is a unique opportunity for 20 young adults from around Australia to live in community while being immersed in spiritual, pastoral & intellectual formation. The month includes over 30 presentations from dynamic speakers, daily Mass and prayer, silent retreat, parish mission, social outreach & life changing friendships! More info: www.catholicyouthservices.org/ylfc or contact ylfc@catholicyouthservices.org.

West Dapto Cemetery Bush Mass ~ Everyone invited to the annual West Dapto Cemetery Bush Mass, celebrated by Fr Francis Tran, commencing 10am at the cemetery on West Dapto Rd, Kembla Grange. In case of bad weather, mass will relocate to St John's, Dapto. Enquiries to the parish office on 4261 1315.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 22 NOVEMBER 2015

This week on *The Journey* Fr Stephen Varney reflects on the Feast of Christ the King; Sr Hilda Scott OSB speaks of God's love for us in the book of Hosea; Sam Clear challenges us to forgive those who are hard to forgive; Bruce Downes talks about finding your "True Identity" and Byron and Francene Pirola talk about the importance of our "Marriage Vows." Tune into PULSE 94.1 FM on Sun at 11am or go to www.jcr.org.au or

www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

Uniting or Dividing? Christians and Muslims in our Globalised World - Gleeson Auditorium, Australian Catholic University (ACU), 25A Barker Rd Strathfield, **Wednesday 2 Dec**, 7:30pm–9:00pm (followed by light refreshments). Keynote Speaker Prof John Esposito Cost: \$20 pp. This public talk is ideal for teachers, students, studies of religion, catechists, priests, pastoral associates, interfaith activists and concerned citizens. Acquire credit hours for professional development! For registration please phone (02) 9649 9040 or email info@isra.org.au

ADVENT REFLECTION DAY Saturday 5 Dec, Ss Peter & Paul Church, Kiama.

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary at 8am, Reconciliation 8.30am, Reflection Day 9am – 3.30.

The day will include opportunities to look at some of the advent scripture readings, share our insights together, a time of Taize style worship, Mass with Laying on of Hands & Prayer, sharing with other Christians.

All local churches invited. Input from priests, ministers and lay people from several denominations. WHAT TO BRING: Bible, notepad & pens, lunch, An open heart. Bookings/Info: Louise 4232 2081.

Sacred Heart Church, Piety Stall Bomaderry has a range of cards and gifts, or order from the catalogue. *Christmas catalogue now available.* Open Sundays (9.30am Mass at Bomaderry), or call Suzie 4448 6219 or 0419 249 008.

SVdP ~ Piety Stall (Berry St Nowra) is well worth a look for religious gifts. Items can also be ordered from the catalogue in store. Also available to order, handmade First Holy Communion veils. Ph: 4421 7244.